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Magalie E. Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communications, *The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, CC Docket No. 96-128

Dear Ms. Salas:

At the request of the Commission staff, on Tuesday, November 28, 2001, Denny Reuss, Sue Ash and Kimothy Smith of the National Payphone Clearinghouse ("NPC") and the undersigned counsel met telephonically with the following staffpersons of the Commission: Craig Stroup, Lynne Milne and John Stover.

During this meeting, the Commission staff requested certain information regarding the available mechanisms and processes that currently exist for processing dial around compensation, as well as those in place during the period from 4Q 1997 through 1Q 1999. The Commission staff also requested information from the NPC staff about the point at which compliance with the requirement that all local exchange carriers ("LECs") provide Flex ANI was achieved. As part of this discussion, the NPC referenced a presentation that had been made publicly by MCI regarding the downward trend of 07 transmissions from payphones and the concomitant increase in the presence of Flex ANI during period from 4Q 1997 through 1Q 1999. A chart reflecting this is attached as Exhibit A.

The NPC also informed the Commission that some data regarding ANIs had been produced to AT&T by the RBOCs during the period from 4Q 1997 through 1Q 1999 to assist in the calculation of the AT&T surrogate. The Commission staff requested that the NPC make inquiries to ascertain whether such data remained in the possession of AT&T, which the NPC agreed to do. After making these inquiries, the NPC can report to the Commission staff that such data is no longer in the possession of AT&T.

The Commission staff also asked the NPC to provide the following information, which is attached to this letter as Exhibits B, C and D respectively:

- NPC Client List for 1997 and 1998
- Total Aggregate Dial-Around Payout By the NPC for Claim Quarters from 4Q 1997 through 1Q 1999
- Analysis of Total Number of NPA-NXX splits that occurred from calendar years 1997 through 2001

Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding the matters raised in this letter.

Very truly yours,

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